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1. The Cerklje Military Airfield, which was put back into operation in 1945,¹ is located north of the city and west of the Cerklje-Zasap highway. It is 3,500 meters by 1,500 meters in area, and has natural surface runways. The nearest railway station is at a distance of 15 kilometers. Installations at the Cerklje Military Airfield include:
 - a. Three fuel tanks
 - b. An undetermined number of underground fuel storage tanks with a capacity for 400 barrels.
 - c. Seven buildings, each 40 meters by 15 meters in size, used as barracks for both men and officers and for mess.
2. South of the Kostanjevice-Brezice highway are located a radio transmitting station, a mobile radio station and an unspecified number of small buildings. Seven hangars of metallic construction, each 30 meters by 12 meters in size, are visible from this area.
3. The Cerklje military airfield is occupied by the 421 Bomber Regiment.
4. An airport is situated south of Maribor in Slovenia, near the village of Betnava, west of the Tezno railroad station. This airfield, which at the present time is used as a civilian airfield, is approximately 1,800 meters long and 600 meters wide. It has an 800 meter cement runway. Installations at this airfield comprise:
 - a. Five hangars of wooden construction each capable of housing from three to four planes.
 - b. A building, approximately 40 meters long and 16 meters wide, at the northern end of the field.
 - c. An underground tank with a 30,000 liter capacity at the northern end of the field.

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5. The men attached to this airfield are quartered in the village of Betnava.

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